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DAVE LANG
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LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL
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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER # 96-7

IN RE GUARDIANS AD LITEM

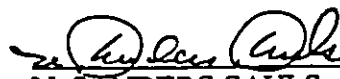
WHEREAS the role of the Guardian ad Litem is to represent the best interests of a child in any proceeding if that child is a victim of or witness to abuse or neglect,

WHEREAS the statutory duties of Guardians ad Litem do not include the responsibility to provide direct services to the child, and

WHEREAS the practice of transporting children imposes significant personal liability on the volunteer, and on the court system because direct service delivery to children is outside the scope of the official duties of the Guardian ad Litem, it is therefore

ORDERED THAT Guardians ad Litem are prohibited from transporting children, and may be subject to immediate discharge from the Program should they violate this Administrative Order

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers at Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida this 5th day of November, 1996 This Administrative Order becomes effective 10 days after being ordered


N SANDERS SAULS
CHIEF JUDGE

cc All Circuit Judges
Nancy Daniels, Public Defender
Willie Meggs, State Attorney
GAL Program
Court Administrator's Office
Children and Families Legal staff (formerly HRS)